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CHARLES GARRITY SPEAKS ON PRIZE WINNING BLOOMS AT C. OF C. GATHERING

Garbage Disposal Committee to Present Report in Near Future.

Relating the secrets of producing the flowers which have brought him and the community of Niles so much attention, Charles Garrity appeared as honor guest before the regular meeting of the Niles Chamber of Commerce held Tuesday noon.

Garrity explained how he worked along certain lines to which common opinion has been opposed and produced blooms which drew words of admiration and praise from all who saw them. He told how through the process of hand pollination he had been able to grow dahlias with perfect stems as well as perfect flowers in spite of the belief that this could not be done.

That the nurseryman will continue bringing fame to Niles through his earnest efforts with flowers was to be gathered from his statement that he always tried to belong to the community in which he lived and that he was more than willing to do anything to help the town.

N. J. Armstrong, executive head of the Alameda County Development company, spoke at the meeting and extended words of commendation for the part played by Garrity and others in bringing the Alameda county agricultural exhibit its success at the state fair. Harvey Braun was especially praised as a real hard working director.

Another guest at the meeting was E. C. Collins, a deciduous fruit man. He commented on the county's exhibit at the fair and paid tribute to Garrity dahlias and also to the cactus grown on the Thomas ranch at Decoto.

Announcement was made at the meeting that the chamber of commerce road committee had gone as far as possible with the petition, and a motion was unanimously passed that the petition be sent with a letter to George Posey, county surveyor. The matter of the road will now rest in the hands of the county for further action.

The question of garbage disposal was discussed briefly and referred to a committee for investigation and report within the next two weeks.

The library committee has not completed its investigation and therefore did not submit a report at this week's meeting.

Vice-president Glassbrooke presided in the absence of F. V. Jones, president, who was ill. Dr. E. C. Grau was appointed chairman for next week's program.

ELLSWORTHS HAVE GUESTS
Members of the E. A. Ellsworth family were dinner guests Sunday at the home of their parents in Niles. Those present were Dr. and Mrs. Siebert, of Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Ellsworth and son, of Berkeley; and Gertrude Ellsworth, who is a sophomore at the University of California.

NILES NURSERY MAN HONORED AT STATE CONCLAVE

George Roeding, Jr., Is Elected To First Vice-Presidency

George Roeding, Jr., of the California Nursery, Niles, was elected first vice-president of the California State Nursery association at the annual gathering of that body in Watsonville last week.

Roeding also gave a talk before the meeting on the beautification of highways, which was very well received by the listeners. The California association is especially interested in retaining and improving the scenic value of the state highways, according to Roeding.

A definite program of highway beautification is being fostered this year by that body and it is trying to enlist the aid of the public in putting it across. The members are working in cooperation with several other bodies such as the State Garden clubs, the State Highway Bureau, and Federation of Women's clubs in an effort to make the highways of California as beautiful as possible.

With the aid of these bodies and the help of the public in general, Roeding is of the opinion that the highways of this state can be made and kept as beautiful as any in the country.

B. E. Amix, also of the California Nursery, attended the convention last week. Next year the body will meet at Riverside and the following year it will be held in San Leandro in conjunction with the San Leandro Flower Show.

NILES GIRL STAGES SURPRISE WEDDING LAST SATURDAY

Completely surprising her family and many friends, Miss Mary B. Willis, of Niles, slipped away to Napa last Saturday and was married to B. S. Webber, of Reno. The bride is well known in Niles and surrounding community having lived here most of her life. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Willis, who have been residents of Niles for the past fifteen years.

Mrs. Webber is a graduate of Washington Union High School, and is a graduate nurse, having completed the nurse's training course at Highland hospital in Oakland, where she has been employed previous to her marriage.

Webber has been engaged in the automobile business in Oakland during the past year. It is

FOUR YOUTHS IN STOLEN MACHINE CAUGHT NEAR NILES

Speeding Auto Halted After Thrilling Chase by Traffic Officer.

Four youths, ranging from eighteen to twenty-two years of age, were apprehended at Niles last Wednesday by Traffic Officer William Hamilton after a thrilling chase of several miles at terrific speed.

The four boys were Valdemer John Salata, Jack Williams and Tom Jenkins, all of Los Angeles, and Bruce Wayne, of Salinas, the latter having been picked up by the others while hitch-hiking along the highway.

Hamilton first took after the car at the tower service station on the county line when he noticed it exceeding the speed limit. The boys tried to escape the pursuing officer and had their machine up to a speed of seventy miles an hour for a time. Officer Hamilton finally overtook the fleeing car and forced Salata, the driver, to a halt near Niles.

Salata was taken before Judge Silva, of Niles, and a charge of speeding placed against him. Upon investigation it was discovered that the car had been stolen the night before in Los Angeles. The boys were held for a time at Niles and then taken to Oakland. They were later taken to Los Angeles to face automobile stealing charges.

The alleged auto thieves were on their way to Oakland when they came into contact with Hamilton.

MUSIC RECITAL TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 16TH

The fourth annual recital to be given by Oliver Campos and his pupils will be presented at the Washington Union high school on Friday evening, October 16, at 8 o'clock. This affair is a presentation given each year for the many people in Washington township who are interested in music.

Over forty pupils will take part in the program consisting of songs and dances, both jazz and classical numbers. Two grand pianos will be used and every preparation is being made to make this year's recital the very best.

The high school auditorium will be open to all the public who are music lovers and there is no admission charge.

Among the entertainers of the evening will be little Jimmy Callin, Orpheum star and nationally known artist.

expected the young couple will make their home in Oakland. Congratulations and best wishes of the community have been extended to the newlyweds.

Bridge Luncheon Held For Miss Hirsch

Mrs. P. M. Ellwood was hostess at a bridge luncheon last Saturday afternoon at her home in Oakland in honor of Miss Estelle Hirsch. Guests present were Mrs. V. Gordon, Mrs. J. V. Gould, Mrs. Alfred Hirsch, Mrs. James Logan, Mrs. B. F. Hawes, Mrs. W. J. Connolly, and the Misses Jeanette Richmond, Marcelle Norris, Clarisse Hirsch, Alma Logan and Clarabelle Logan.

Native Daughters To Hold Whist Nov. 3

Plans for a benefit whist party to be held in the I. O. O. F. hall on the evening of November 3 have been rapidly going forward under the leadership of Mrs. C. E. Plumb and Lillian Burr, who will have active charge of the affair.

After an evening of cards, delicious refreshments will be served.

NILES OFFICER THROUGH WITH PIGEON FEEDING

Constable O. W. Ebright, of Niles, has been relieved of his job of feeding pigeons. Seldom is the task of providing food for birds listed among the duties of a peace officer, but such has been the case of the Niles constable, who has had charge of the diet of seventy-five pigeons since the middle of July.

On the night of July 22, the seventy-five prize birds were stolen from F. H. Scott, of Niles. They were located soon after at the home of Antonio Pointe, in Decoto, the identification being made by the metal bands on their legs. A warrant was issued for Pointe and the birds turned over to the Niles constable to be held as evidence. Thus one of Ebright's chief duties became the daily feeding of the pigeons, which he kept in an improvised pen.

Last week the case against Pointe was dismissed in Judge Silva's justice court in Niles, when the accused appeared and was able to convince Scott and Harry Styles, assistant district attorney, that the birds had been purchased from a poultry peddler who offered them for sale in Decoto the morning after they were stolen.

The pigeons are back in their old home while Constable Ebright has no longer to consider the diet of pigeons.

LIVELY MEETING HELD BY MEMBERS OF NILES LODGE

Hayward Circle Guests at Affair; New Officers Are Installed

Members of Hazel Circle, Neighbors of Woodcraft, of Niles, held a very interesting meeting on Wednesday night, September 23, when thirty-six members of the Palmer Circle of Hayward, were entertained. During the meeting arrangements were made for the big turkey whist party to be held Wednesday evening, October 28. Mrs. J. Oliver was appointed chairman of the committee arranging the affair.

After the regular order of business the members of the newly organized Junior Circle conducted the meeting and installed the following officers with the help of the senior guardian, Mrs. Helen Alameda:

Melvin Santos, past guardian neighbor; Ida Martin, guardian neighbor; Blanche Martin, advisor; Edith Alves, magician; Mary Martin, attendant; William Silva, clerk; Julius Pine, banker; Mary Sousa, musician; Everett Alameda, outside sentinel; Weldon Pine, captain of guards; and Betty Burr and Stanley Carey, flag bearers.

The Junior Circle decided to hold meetings monthly hereafter on the second Wednesday. Mary Souza and Lorraine Alameda were chosen to serve on the refreshment committee for the next session.

Visitors from Hayward made a donation to the new Junior Circle, after which refreshments were served under the direction of the following committee: Theresa Oliver, Sarah Crane, Carry Martin, Helen Alameda and Marian Destrella.

DEER HUNTERS RETURN

E. D. Bristow, principal of the Niles school, and Constable O. W. Ebright, of Niles, returned Sunday from a week-end hunting trip up in the Marysville country. Although no deer were bagged the two nimrods were enthusiastic in their praise of the trip. Ebright was so captivated by the locality that he plans another trip in the near future.

JUNIOR COLLEGE COMMITTEE PLANS DISTRICT MEETING

Niles Group Hard at Work Getting Reactions of Other Townships.

At a meeting of the Niles junior college committee held last Thursday night at the home of Mrs. J. E. Thane a decision was made to draw up letters to be sent to the high school board of trustees in the other townships concerned in the proposed college district inviting them to join in a meeting to be held some time in the near future.

Certain detailed information concerning the necessary legal procedure which has to be followed in the creation of a junior college district also was presented at the meeting and members of the committee were made better acquainted with the duties ahead of them.

Although nothing definite has as yet been settled in regard to whether a college will be established in this locality, the committees are hard at work getting all the necessary information in shape for presentation to the public, and also getting the reactions of the various organizations in the proposed district townships to the plan.

Meetings also are being held in these townships to ascertain the attitude of the public in respect to the desirability of a school.

This preliminary work involves some time and it is expected that several weeks will pass before the question of a junior college will be settled.

SCHOOL GIRL SEEKS WORK TO FINISH COURSE

Miss Sandholdt, dean of girls at Washington Union High School, would be very glad indeed to have any one in need of a girl to help in the home for room and board to communicate with her.

Miss Ethel Works, a former student of the high school, wishes to finish her course but is unable to do so unless she can find a place where she can work. Miss Works is a charming young woman and any one who would have need of her services would be well repaid and would be doing a good turn at the same time, Miss Sandholdt said.

Niles People Go Bass Fishing At Bay Point

Bass at Bay Point again suffered heavy losses last Sunday from the hooks of Niles and surrounding community anglers. A group of fishermen made up of Joe and Manuel Oliver, Tony Melio, Joe Soares and brother-in-law of Niles, and several persons from Sunol composed the party which exacted a heavy toll from members of the finny tribe.

Niles Teacher Spends Day Visiting Schools

Miss Gertrude Kellar, teacher in the Niles Grammar School, spent Wednesday visiting some of the other schools in Alameda county. These trips are taken every year by various teachers and are for the purpose of observing and comparing the visitor's own work with that of the schools visited.

Car Overturns On Niles Street In Making Turn

When making a turn to sharply a light coupe driven by a woman from San Jose overturned on Main street in Niles early Monday morning, damaging the top and shattering glass over the pavement.

With the aid of several bystanders the car was righted and the woman continued on her way.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Duarte and Mr. and Mrs. R. Cozzi spent Sunday in Hayward visiting friends.

FLAMES DEMOLISH NILES BUILDINGS; MENACE ENTIRE TOWN BEFORE CONTROLLED

OWNER OF DEATH PLANE CLEARED OF MANSLAUGHTER

Charge Dismissed When Deputy Fails To Convince Court

The charge of manslaughter against Marcel Palin, of San Francisco, alleged to have operated without license the airplane which caused the deaths of Richard Nieman and Stewart Walburg in a crash near Irvington on August 25, was dismissed by Judge Silva in the Niles justice court last week.

The manslaughter charge was dismissed by Judge Silva when Deputy Sheriff Frank H. Wilson, who signed the complaint against Palin, was unable to provide sufficient proof to the court that Nieman and Walburg were operating the death plane with the knowledge and consent of the owner.

Move also was made by Palin's attorneys to have the charge of conspiracy to violate the state aerial laws dismissed on the grounds that the charges had been filed upon information and belief, after Wilson had been called to the stand by the defense and admitted he had not seen Palin operating the plane. The motion was taken under advisement by Judge Silva and the case continued until October 6.

Palin has been acquitted twice in the Hayward justice court of charges of operating an unlicensed plane when witnesses could not be certain of their identification because the pilot flying the ship was wearing a helmet and goggles.

The old "Jenny" plane, which killed Nieman and Walburg, had been kept in a pasture between Warm Springs and Irvington before the tragic crash, after it had been barred from bay area airports.

NILES SCHOOL WINS BASEBALL GAME 11 TO 9

The Niles grammar school baseball team pounded out a 11 to 9 victory over the Alvarado school nine in a five inning game played

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CALIFORNIA NURSERY HEAD EXPLAINS STAND ON ROAD

There seems to have been much confusion and misunderstanding of late concerning the extension of the Main street road, which is practically completed at present up to the property of the California Nursery company. Rumors have been afloat that the reason the road has not been continued from this point is that the above company has not been willing to cooperate with those interested in seeing the road go on through.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Niles Chamber of Commerce announcement was made that the road committee had gone as far as possible with the petition and a motion was passed that it be sent to the county surveyor to await his action. No definite information has been made public

Three Fire Departments Battle Blaze; Heavy Damage Done.

Endangering the entire town of Niles, a disastrous fire broke out Tuesday afternoon on J street between First and Second, causing damages reaching over a thousand dollars before it was subdued through the combined efforts of Niles, Decoto, and Mission San Jose fire departments.

A house, two garages, a car, and a barn were consumed by the raging flames which threatened for a time to spread beyond control of the firemen.

The blaze originated in a large shed back of the Tony Silva home and spread rapidly. Soon the adjoining home of Mrs. C. Nichols and son, and a garage and barn across the alley were all aflame. A high wind scattered sparks in all directions and it appeared at first as if the entire neighborhood was doomed. Hurry-up calls were sent to other fire departments in the township, and only with the arrival of the Decoto and Mission San Jose forces was further danger averted.

Cause of the fire could not be determined. Mrs. Tony Silva was washing dishes in the kitchen of her home when she first saw the smoke arising from the shed. She investigated and found the inside all in flames. Running to Rose's garage, she turned in the alarm.

Mrs. Nichols was not at her home when the blaze gained control. Due to the intensive efforts of members of the crowd which quickly gathered practically everything in the house was saved. The dwelling was not covered by insurance. Mrs. Nichols' loss is estimated to be over \$1000.

Tony Silva's automobile housed in the shed, which burned to the ground, was entirely destroyed. More excitement was added to the already gripping scene when the gas tank of the car exploded and shot flames in all directions. Luckily no one was injured.

The loss of the machine was not covered by insurance. It was valued at approximately \$700.

Quick action on the part of several of the crowd saved the car of Joe Piletti from the hungry flames, which burned the garage to the ground. Piletti, however, suffered the loss of about fifty dollars in tires and oil stored in the garage. The building was owned by Tony Dinocenz, of Niles.

The barn also was reduced to ashes. It was said to have been the property of Mrs. Lorenzen, of Oakland, and Mrs. Sheehan, of San Jose. A horse belonging to Miles Smith, of Niles, was rescued from the barn. The animal suffered a burnt mane.

as to what is the real reason for holding up the work on the road extension.

This week the Township Register received a letter from George C. Roeding, Jr., president and manager of the California Nursery company, who wishes to clear up any misunderstanding of that organization's stand on the road question. It is printed below, as follows:

Sept. 30, 1931.

To the Editor
"Township Register,"
Niles, California.
Dear Sir:

The writer, was approached a little over three years ago in regard to extending this road through our property. At that

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COMING EVENTS

CAST THEIR SHADOWS BEFORE

REGISTER'S FRATERNAL, SOCIAL AND AMUSEMENT CALENDAR

- Oct. 1—Welfare Board, Library, 1 a. m.
- Oct. 2—Rebekahs, I. O. O. F. Hall, 8 p. m.
- Oct. 2—Fire Department Meeting, Fire Hall, 8 p. m.
- Oct. 5—Odd Fellows, I. O. O. F. Hall, 8 p. m.
- Oct. 6—Ladies Auxiliary, Legion Building, 8 p. m.
- Oct. 6—Native Daughters, I. O. O. F. Hall, 8:30 p. m.
- Oct. 7—Neighbors of Woodcraft, I. O. O. F. Hall, 8:30 p. m.
- Oct. 12—Toyon Branch Baby Hospital.
- Oct. 13—P. T. A.
- Oct. 16—Corpus Christi Church Benefit Whist, Parish House.
- Oct. 19—Welfare Club, No. 1
- Oct. 28—Neighbors of Woodcraft Turkey Whist, I. O. O. F. Hall.
- Nov. 3—Niles Native Daughters Benefit Whist, I. O. O. F. Hall.

ALVARADO WEEKLY NEWS

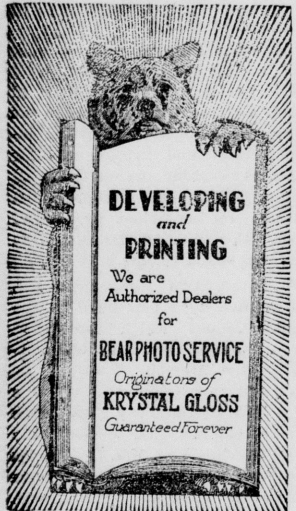
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NILES, CALIF.

MORE ON CALIFORNIA NURSERY

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time I expressed myself very clearly that as far as the nursery interests were concerned I was not in favor of this road; but realizing that it would eventually be necessary for the town of Niles I gladly gave my consent. From that date my attitude has remained the same. I realize this whole matter has been misunderstood by the people of Niles due to the fact that they have not had the facts as I have given them.

At the time that I was approached on this matter by a committee of the Chamber of Commerce, I asked if they would not be willing to hold off extending this road through our property until the early summer months because it would do considerable damage to some stock which we had growing on this land where the proposed road was to go. They were very nice about agreeing to cooperate in this respect.

At the end of the busy season a committee came to see me in regard to this road. We were ready to have the road put through and to make the final plans. At that time I was informed that there would be a fifty foot road up to the present entrance of our nursery but from there on down to the Western Pacific tracks it would remain a forty foot road. My remark was that unless they could afford to make this a fifty foot road from the beginning of this extension to the Western Pacific

tracks I would not be in favor of it. I then pointed out the damages to our property stating at the time that if we were to open up our property for the sale of real estate there would be some benefit but since we were not intending to do so it would materially interfere with our business and the following damages would be incurred:

1. Cost of moving, tearing down and rebuilding main sales lathhouse, also including expense in moving three large sales signs, including one electric sign.
2. Removing and rebuilding bins in main sales lathhouse and large lathhouse.
3. Removing all plants from sales lathhouse and rearranging display.
4. Moving large specimen trees to new location.
5. Destruction of part of large lathhouse.
6. Moving plants in large lathhouse.
7. Destruction of pipeline and rebuilding new pipeline.
8. Moving two large specimen palms.
9. Building new fence 1500 feet.
10. Destruction of plants on account of proposed widening of highway along property lines, and also for rearranging of plants for new sales lathhouse.
11. Regrading and leveling ground for new sales lathhouse.
12. (a) Value of land, five feet on each side of nursery property up to the Western Pacific tracks.

(b) Damage to land where salesyard begins up to Shinn's property, one acre. (c) Four and one-half acres idle land left unfit for nursery purposes. (d) Noise and lack of privacy around Mrs. Geo. C. Roeding's home. (e) Hazardous entrance to nursery made. (f) Loss of advertising by having sales lathhouse farther from railroad and main state highway.

I have not mentioned any figures in this report due to the fact that I have repeatedly requested that someone come down here and go over these figures with me so that they could be worked out to our mutual satisfaction. I understand that someone has appraised our property but no one has really approached me with the idea of going over this proposition and working out something that would be mutually satisfactory.

The nursery was offered such a small amount for these damages that we could not consider it. No offer has been made since then and that was two years ago; nor has anyone approached me with a view of working out some plan which would be mutually satisfactory. I do not think anyone in Niles or any place else would want the road to go through their property and do considerable damage to an established business without receiving a fair compensation for it.

In the past five years the advertising of the California Nursery company has probably reached over 500,000 people and the message throughout has been to bring them to Niles. It is hard for me to believe that a nursery that has been established here for so many years and which has

been giving so much publicity to Niles should be asked to donate this property without receiving a fair compensation for it. I can fully understand the attitude of some people who have been strongly advocating this road as they either have real estate to sell or are interested indirectly; and also the attitude of those who probably most strongly advocated it and who are not being affected one way or the other as property holders.

I have been approached several times in regard to the five feet which we were asked to give on each side of our property on the Alvarado road, but I repeatedly stated that the entire matter would have to be settled at one time. Since our meeting two years ago I have not been approached by anyone from Niles in regard to the extension through the nursery. My patience has about become exhausted the way this whole matter has been handled. Unless I am approached in the near future with the idea of going over this matter carefully and working out a mutual settlement, I will withdraw my offers as regards the five feet on each side of our property, and also the extension of the road through the nursery.

For the past two years I have been expecting someone to come and see me in regard to this matter, but each year nothing has been done. I refrained from using this property to save the County all the expense possible when we really needed it for nursery purposes. We are about to enter our

S. P. CO. TO HAVE LOW FARES FOR 3 DAYS NEXT WEEK

Another series of "cent-a-mile" round trip excursions, featuring a Sunday sale date, will be conducted by the Southern Pacific on October 9, 10 and 11, according to announcements this week by Harvey Braun, Niles agent. Final return limit will be Monday, October 19.

In connection with all previous "dollar day" sales of train rides, passengers have had to start trips on Thursday, Friday or Saturday. Inclusion of Sunday in the three-day offering is expected to find great favor.

Football fans particularly will be able to make good use of these tickets, Braun declared.

DANCE A SUCCESS

The American Legion-Auxiliary dance held at the Memorial Hall in Niles last Saturday night was reported as a huge success. Sambo Ed, Mandy, and Dixie, all of Shell Happy Time fame, were on hand to entertain those present. Delicious punch was served as refreshments by the Auxiliary.

Very truly yours,
(Signed)
GEORGE C. ROEDING, JR.

Decoto News

SURPRISE PARTY IS GIVEN DECOTO GIRL

Katherine Peniza, of Decoto, was pleasantly surprised last Saturday night at the home of her mother by a group of friends on the occasion of her twenty-first birthday.

The Peniza home was beautifully decorated in yellow gladiolas which were artistically draped on tables, walls and ceiling. The evening was delightfully spent in dancing and cards. Lovely refreshments were served at midnight. Miss Peniza received many beautiful gifts from those present.

The party broke up in the small hours of the morning and everyone left wishing the honored guest many more happy birthdays.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. James Pusatari and family, of San Jose; Mr. and Mrs. Hendricks and Albert Breat, of Hayward; Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Perry, Mr. and Mrs. William Dutra, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Silva, Mr. and Mrs. Antone Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Pier-son, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Milani, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Martin, Manuel James, Raymond Perry, Lorence Rose, and Claire Lopez, all of Alvarado.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Silva, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Vargas, Mr. and Mrs. William Mendonca, Mrs. Anna Maderici and son, Miss Helen Faletti, Miss Jo Roderick, Annie White, Manuel White, and Pearl White, all of Decoto.

Mr. and Mrs. Lealand Martin, of

DECOTO STREETS ARE UNDERGOING NEEDED REPAIRS

Railroad avenue from H street to Whipple road is being prepared for oiling, also J street between Railroad avenue and Eleventh street is being resurfaced and put into good condition. "Stop" signs have been placed at all intersections leading into the Decoto-Dumbarton highway.

ENGINEER VISITS TOWNSHIP

Harold Gray, engineer for the Mosquito Abatement District, visited Washington Township Monday for the purpose of inspecting the southern end of the county. Drainage work by the district is now being done near Warm Springs.

Small Fire Brings Out the Decoto Firemen

The Decoto Fire Department was called out to extinguish a small fire in the rear of the property of Joe Figura, on 15th and G streets. The fire was confined to a small shed in the rear of the yard.

PHONE SERVICE IMPROVED

Night telephone service in Decoto will be improved by transferring the call booth from the railroad depot to the fire house. This change of location will make it more convenient for those desiring to use the phone, as many people have been reluctant to enter the station at night.

BLAZE EXTINGUISHED

The Decoto fire department extinguished a blaze on the Silveria ranch last week. The fire began in a shed but did very little damage.

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Nursery Road

Birthday Party Is Held for Lynch

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gaspar of Union City road honored Mr. Lynch, of Piedmont, with a birthday dinner on Saturday, September 4.

The table was beautifully decorated with carnations, rosebuds and fern. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Lynch, of Piedmont, Mr. and Mrs. Perkins, of San Francisco, Dr. Dan Aubertine, of San Francisco, Dr. Holman, of Centerville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brownin, of San Francisco, and Miss Rose Gaspar.

COUPLE ELOPE

Friends and relatives of Mrs. Mary Freitas and Mr. M. E. Costa, were surprised to hear of their elopement to Reno last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Costa are now spending their honeymoon in Honolulu, where Costa has relatives. Mrs. Costa was employed at the Morton salt works.

ATTEND RECEPTION

Mrs. John Menzes and daughters, Alice and Alberta, Mrs. Mary DaVilla, Morris DaVilla, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Dutra, attended a reception for the new teachers of the Castro Valley grammar school at Castro Valley Friday evening. The members of the Parent-Teachers Association presented a program after which dancing and games were enjoyed.

At 11 o'clock refreshments were served in the school cafeteria, the tables being beautifully decorated with pastel colored sail boats.

Mrs. C. Goodman who recently celebrated her eighty-sixth birthday, has been seriously ill at her home.

John Dutra spent Saturday in Oakland on business.

Alvarado Boys In Auto Crash Sunday

While driving to San Leandro Sunday Albert Otto and Marvis Davilla, were struck by an on-coming motorist. The accident occurred in San Lorenzo; both cars tried to pass an intersection at the same time. The new coupe in which they were riding was slightly damaged.

BIRTHDAY CLUB MEETS

Mrs. John Ralph entertained the Birthday Club at her home on Vallejo street with a luncheon Saturday afternoon. The guests enjoyed bridge. Those present were, Mrs. August May, Mrs. B. Blanche, of Berkeley, Mrs. M. Scribner, of Livermore, Mrs. M. Laiton, of Berkeley, Mrs. Walter Roble and Mrs. E. Richmond.

Alberta Menzes has been confined to her home due to illness.

Mrs. Walter Robie spent Wednesday in Oakland where she is serving on the jury.

Miss Elsie Pedro, of Milpitas, spent the week with Miss Rose Gaspar.

Karl and Albert Otto attended the Oakland-Los Angeles ball game at the Oakland ball park on Tuesday evening.

Raymond Lawrence spent Saturday in Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Perry and son, Lloyd, of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. Antone Santos and daughters, Alvina and Winifred, and Antone Da Villa, motored to Mt. Hamilton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. C. Lynch, all of Piedmont were the guests of Mrs. Frank Gaspar on Sunday evening

the early days of the convention by Mayor Cermak and Legion officials. At every appearance it received the right of way through the terrific downtown congestion and was hailed by the enthusiastic Legionnaires who are looking forward to the greatest of all national gatherings in 1933.

The Nash "Guest Car," a twin-ignition eight sedan equipped with the new Nash sound proofed body and chassis and the new synchro shift, silent second transmission, was driven back to Chicago following the parade to continue its duties as official welcomer to famous city guests.

Nash sales and service for Washington township is handled by the Centerville Garage and Machine Shop under the proprietorship of Madruga and Mau.

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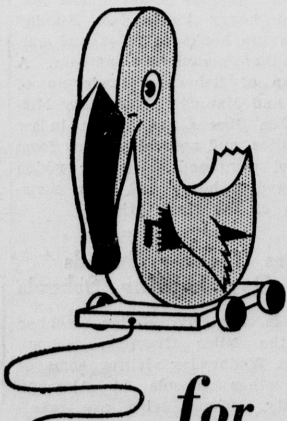
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WASHINGTON HIGH LOSES FOOTBALL STRUGGLE TO SANTA CLARA 13 TO 0

Heavier Opponents Score Two Touchdowns In Second Half.

Outweighed by an aggregation of experienced veterans the Washington Union high school football team dropped a hard battle to Santa Clara high school last Friday at Santa Clara by the score of 13 to 0.

The Washington high gridironists battled gamely against the Santa Clarans who had a line which averaged 168 pounds from end to end and a backfield which averaged 175 pounds. The team was composed almost entirely of seasoned players.

During the first half the Washingtonians struggled on even terms with their heavier opponents. All scoring threats on the part of Santa Clara were repulsed by a resolute Washington line.

The first touchdown of the game came in the third quarter when a Washington pass was intercepted by a Santa Clara man who ran thirty yards before being hauled down. On the next play, a reverse, the ball was carried into scoring turf and the score stood 6 to 0. The attempt to kick goal failed.

In the fourth quarter Santa Clara tallied their final touchdown. On a series of line bucks and around end plays they punched the ball over the goal line and kicked goal to make the count

stand 13 to 0, which remained the same when the gun barked the finish of the struggle.

The game was played mostly in Washington high school territory, although the locals threatened once in the second quarter when they marched the ball down the field to within twenty yards of the enemy's goal line before they lost it on downs.

Nakagawara was the most consistent ground gainer for Washington high. Gularie and Fontes also displayed ability in the backfield.

The starting lineup included Logan and Aust, ends; Knobles and Garcia, tackles; Weed and Trout, guards; Kato, center; and Nakagawara, Gularie, Dick, and Fontes, backs.

On Thursday afternoon the high schoolers will tangle with the strong Pittsburg eleven on the high school grounds. Pittsburg has steamrollered its way to a 43 to 0 victory over Stockton high school already this year and also have defeated Roosevelt high, of Oakland, by the score of 13 to 0.

Last year Washington high was at the short end of a 48 to 2 score against the same team, but according to the resolute avowal of Coach Regli there will be no such score this year against his proteges.

The game is scheduled for 3:30 p. m. and everyone has been urged to attend and root for the home eleven.

Irvington Register

By ANNA BETTENCOURT

IRVINGTON BLAZE PUT OUT BY FIREMEN

Members of the Centerville fire department were aroused from their slumbers early Sunday morning to extinguish a fire at Irvington which was threatening the property of Charles Heyer, of Hayward.

The firemen arrived in time to prevent serious damage on the part of the blaze, which originated in the dry grass by the Southern Pacific tracks and soon spread to some rubbish beside a garage.

OLD RESIDENT OF TOWNSHIP DIES LAST THURSDAY

Miss Mariana Horner died on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock, following an illness of the past week. She was 77 years old and a sister of the late Fred Horner. She was a descendant of one of Washington Township's oldest families, and her passing will be mourned by many who know her.

HOLD BARBECUE

A barbecue was held last week on the Witherly ranch at Mission San Jose in honor of Miss Estelle Hirsch, of Irvington. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pond and Mr. and Mrs. Hirsch, of Irvington; Mr. and Mrs. B. Hansen, of San Jose, and other guests from Hayward.

C. Curigan, of Oakland, was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Carroll motored to San Jose Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Christensen entertained friends from Oakland last week.

Fred Froelich was a business visitor in Oakland Tuesday.

Irma Dutra and Wallace Pond entered the State Teachers' college at San Jose last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garcia and daughter of Turlock, visited relatives here on Sunday.

Eades Carroll visited in Palo Alto last Saturday.

IRVINGTON COUPLE HAIL NINE YEARS OF MARRIED LIFE

Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Rose, of Irvington, celebrated their ninth wedding anniversary last Saturday evening by holding a theater party in Oakland. After the show, the remainder of the evening was spent in dining and dancing at an Oakland cabaret.

Those who made up the party were Mr. and Mrs. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blacow and Mr. and Mrs. Turnbow.

Irvington Factory Opens After Long Shutdown

The plant of Reid Brothers, manufacturers of hospital supplies, reopened again last week after a shutdown of several months. The factory employs approximately twenty men.

Mrs. Joe Blacow, Irvington postmistress, returned to her work after a week's vacation.

Edward S. Weston, formerly of Irvington, and now of Palo Alto, visited with his mother, Mrs. Mary Reynolds, over the weekend.

M. Raymond and Manuel Mendias, attended a barbecue at Milpitas last Sunday.

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(The Township Register is anxious to be of real service to its subscribers in Centerville. We shall be glad to publish all announcements, reports, etc., sent in to us or given to our representatives.)

Oct. 1—St. James Men's Club.
Oct. 2—Centerville Athletic Club, Town Hall, 8 p. m.
Oct. 2—Betsy Ross Native Daughters, Anderson's Hall, 8 p. m.
Oct. 5—Fire Department Meeting, Fire House, 7 p. m.
Oct. 6—Country Club.
Oct. 7—Eastern Star, Masonic Hall, 8 p. m.
Oct. 8—Knights of Pythias, Hansen's Hall, 8 p. m.
Oct. 8—Knights of Columbus, Parish Hall, 8 p. m.
Oct. 10—Masons, Masonic Hall, 8 p. m.
Oct. 12—Native Sons, Hansen's Hall, 8 p. m.
Oct. 12—P. T. A. Centerville Grammar School.
Oct. 19—Welfare Club, No. 1.
Oct. 26—Victory Circle, Anderson's Hall, 8 p. m.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. F. O. Bunting attended the usual gathering of the Washington Township college circle last week. The meeting was held at Claremont at the home of Mrs. W. Llewelling. The next gathering will be held at the home of Mrs. P. Selby in Oakland.

Jess Regli attended the Santa Clara-California football game last Saturday in Berkeley.

Miss Helen Swain is in Centerville visiting Mrs. F. O. Bunting.

Miss Florence Aust spent the week-end in San Francisco. She was accompanied by Mrs. Brown.

Mrs. F. O. Bunting returned last week from several days visit in San Francisco and Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Santos and Mr. and Mrs. John S. Santos attended a theater and dinner party in Oakland on Sunday.

J. V. Gould spent the week-end at Morgan Hill.

Miss Aubrey Nicely attended the California-Santa Clara football game Saturday.

Mrs. George Emerson entertained several guests at dinner and bridge last Saturday night.

John and Frank Dusterberry were spectators of the Stanford-Olympic club football game at Palo Alto on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Emerson recently moved into their new home. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Madrugaga also have moved into their new home.

J. A. Rathbone and John Whipple and son were among the fans at the California-Santa Clara football game at Berkeley Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. Stanley McMillan spent the week-end fishing up the Russian river.

Little Barbara Kibbe underwent a delicate operation at a San Francisco hospital Wednesday.

SON IS BORN
A son was born in an Oakland hospital last Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Bishop.

Dr. Vernon E. Brett was a visitor at the Dr. McMillan home during the last week.

OFFICERS ELECTED AT NEWLY FORMED LIONS CLUB MEET

Will Receive Charter at Big Gathering in Auditorium October 24.

A Lions Club has been formed in Centerville during the past week under the leadership of J. S. Miller, of Richmond, Don Leidig and John Seim, of Hayward. The first meeting was held Monday night and officers for the coming year were selected.

There are twenty-four charter members at present and the opportunity for others to become charter members will remain open for the next two weeks.

The following officers were selected at Monday's meeting: Dr. G. S. Holman, president; Frank Madrugaga, vice-president; Ira B. Hodgkins, secretary and treasurer; Charles Santos, lion tamer; Chick Santos, tall twister.

Four directors also were chosen, two for two years and two for one year. Those elected for two years were, A. J. Rathbone and Allen Norris; those for one year are George Robinson and Frank Sousa.

The newly formed Lions Club will receive its charter at a large meeting planned for October 24 to be held at the high school auditorium. Dinner and dancing also will be on the program. Over three hundred people are expected to be on hand from various Lions clubs of East Bay cities. The Richmond Lions club orchestra will furnish music for the occasion.

After the charter meeting regular meetings of the Centerville club will be held on every first and third Wednesday of the month.

San Francisco—Site is being sought for proposed million dollar Veterans' diagnosis hospital.

NIGHT SCHOOL CLASSES AT HIGH SCHOOL DRAW LARGE ATTENDANCES

High School Drama Cast Is Selected; Voice Culture Classes Open.

Night school classes at Washington Union high school have been drawing large attendances during the last week and work is progressing rapidly under the direction of the faculty members. A total attendance of one hundred and sixty-six were present at last Thursday night's session, according to Principal A. J. Rathbone.

The night school classes are engaged in making various useful articles which will serve nicely as Christmas presents or may be used by the makers themselves. Among the articles being constructed are two-leather purses, key rings, book ends, silk scarfs, kimono, Christmas cards, bat tie work, dye stuffs and sofa coverings.

In the regular subject courses there were enrolled last week, forty in beginners' English, eighteen in citizenship work, thirty-three in ladies' physical education, thirty in men's physical education, forty in typing, and nineteen in shorthand.

Night school classes are open to everyone and are supported by the state without cost to the taxpayers of the district. Everyone is welcome to attend and observe the work going on.

High School Play.
The cast for the high school three act comedy, "The Patsy," to be presented in the near future has been selected, and regular rehearsals are now taking place under the direction of Miss Aubrey Nicely, English and Dramatics instructor.

Those making up the cast are Kathleen Whitfield, Byron Frontz, Estelle Martinstein, Patricia Duffey, Jack Coley, Albert Silva, Lucille Rose, Elmo Grimmer, and Warren Martin.

Voice Culture in Night School.
Classes in voice culture are now being organized at the night school under the direction of Charles Foster, music director of Washington township grammar schools.

There will be three periods given to this work as follows:
7:00 to 7:40—Voice Culture 1.
7:40 to 8:20—Chorus.
8:20 to 9:00—Chorus.

The text used for the voice culture is "Universal Song," by Frederick Haywood of the Eastman School of Music of Rochester, N. Y. These classes are now being given in the Oakland high schools under the direction of Glenn Woods, city supervisor of music and in San Francisco high schools.

The solo voice is given attention within the class group work. A light opera also will be planned when the classes are well under way. This work will be given at Washington Union high school on Tuesday evenings. Everyone has been cordially invited to attend.

MEMBERS OF HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY HOLD BARBECUE

Old members of the Washington Union High School faculty were hosts to the board of trustees and their wives and the new members of the faculty at a barbecue held at Rose's ranch Monday night.

William Mette, high school shop instructor, displayed his ability as chef by turning out savory barbecued steaks which appealed to the palates of the entire gathering. Ample proof that Mette is a true disciple of the cuisine was established when no cases of indigestion were reported to have occurred from his offerings.

San Leandro—Low bid of \$23,567 was received for construction of bridge across San Leandro creek on Park street.

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CENTERVILLE FIRE HEAD PLANS DEPT. FOR IRVINGTON

Would Abolish Calling of Other Departments To Minor Blazes

Possibility that Irvington may have a fire department of its own became very bright this week when Fred Rogers, chief of the Centerville fire department, announced that he would appeal to the Firemen's association of Alameda county for aid in organizing a department in that community.

Irvington is the only town in Washington township which depends upon other communities for its fire protection, and many of the fires which bring out the Centerville and Mission San Jose departments are in the Irvington locality.

Rogers does not wish to cause any burden to be placed on Irvington taxpayers through the purchase of new fire-fighting equipment, but thinks that some sort of bucket brigade organization could be created to handle minor blazes such as grass fires and thus do away with the necessity of calling the Centerville or Mission San Jose departments.

In case of serious fire there would be no question, according to Rogers, but what any department in the township would go to the aid of Irvington. Yet he is of the opinion that the community should have some protection of its own from fire.

S. F. CIVIC HEAD TO FEATURE MEN'S CLUB GATHERING

The Men's Club of Washington Township is planning a big gala event for its first meeting of the season to be held October 7 at the Country Club in Centerville. The gathering will be featured by the presence of Leland W. Cutler, president of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, as the chief speaker of the day. Cutler is well-known in Washington township, as he is the nephew of Dr. J. H. Durham, of Irvington.

Other highlights on the program arranged for the gathering are several musical and humorous selections to be presented by professional artists.

The committee arranging for the affair is composed of the following: L. Duffey, H. Braun, and F. V. Jones, of Niles; George Roderick, H. Chadbourn, and R. A. Blacow, of Centerville; and Thomas J. Power, of Irvington.

Officers for the coming year will also be chosen at the Wednesday meeting.

Many Attend Funeral Of R. Neher, Monday

The community of Centerville was shocked to hear of the death of R. Neher, of San Jose, last week. Neher suffered a stroke while driving his car and died shortly afterwards. Mrs. Neher is a former Centerville woman. Several residents of Centerville attended the funeral held Monday in Irvington.

Atwoods Given Surprise Reception Wednesday

A surprise reception was given for Rev. and Mrs. Atwood on Wednesday by the St. James Guild. Cards formed the diversion for the affair, and a beautiful present was given to the honored guests. Refreshments were served.

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GRAMMAR SCHOOL HEAD TELLS OF STATE MEETING

A state meeting of grammar school principals held at Berkeley last Saturday was attended by Joseph Dias, principal of the Centerville Grammar School, who reported the gathering a huge success.

Highlights of the meeting, said Principal Dias, consisted of demonstrations of grammar school activity program and talks from well known educators.

A particularly interesting feature of the convention was a demonstration by Dr. Wright of his work in human engineering, which follows activities similar to those pursued by the Boy Scouts, but which is broader in that it reaches the whole classes instead of a select few, according to the Centerville principal.

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This activity is known as the Pathfinder system and was developed by Dr. Boyne, of Chicago, who spent a quarter of a million dollars in fostering the plan. Efforts are being made now to introduce the system into the schools of the state, Dias said.

The eighth grade of the grammar school conducted a candy sale this week for the benefit of

the social club. This school organization hopes to have enough money by the end of the year to take trips to various places of interest, and also enough to carry out the usual eighth grade program.

The seventh and eighth grades are now working on a project under the direction of Miss Mary Hickey, in which a series of maps will be drawn and painted on canvas.

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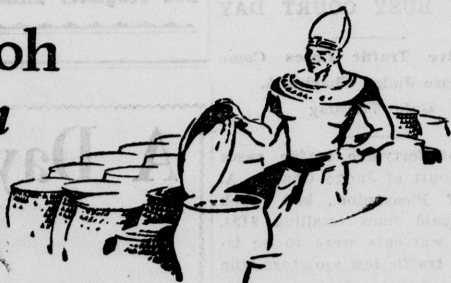
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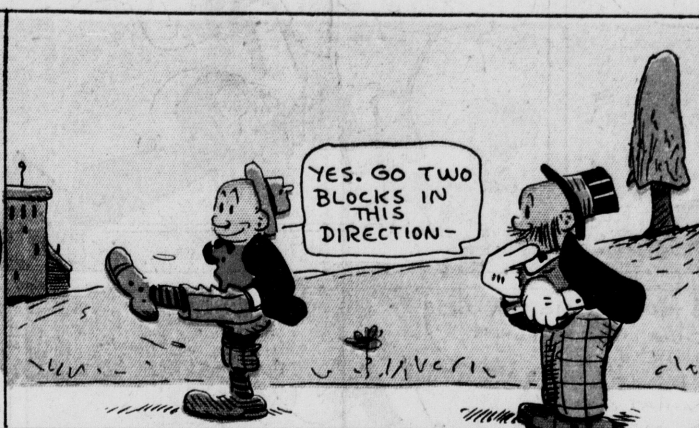
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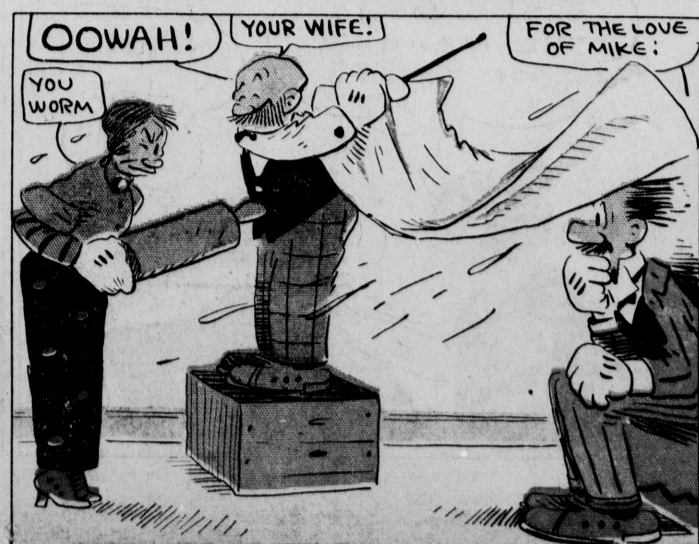
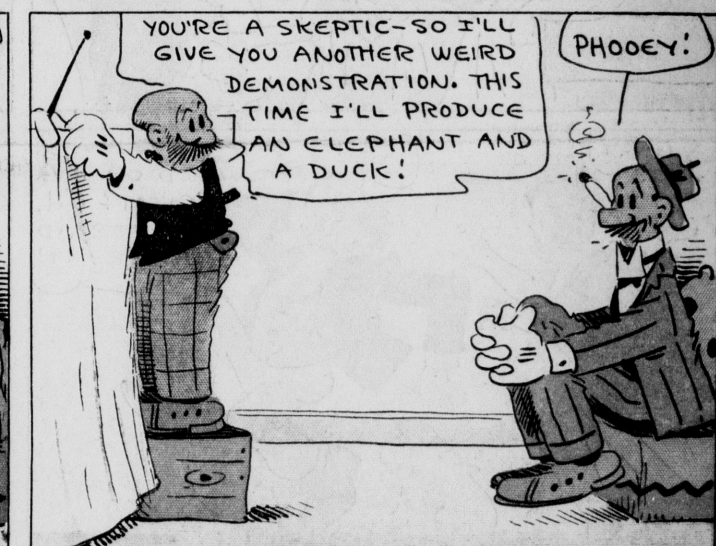
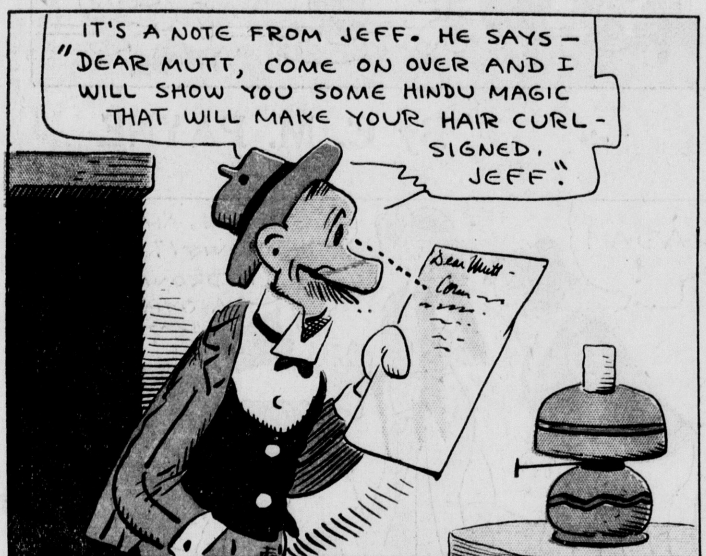


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1x6 Flooring, per M	\$16.00
Window Frames	\$1.50
Rustic, per M	\$20.00

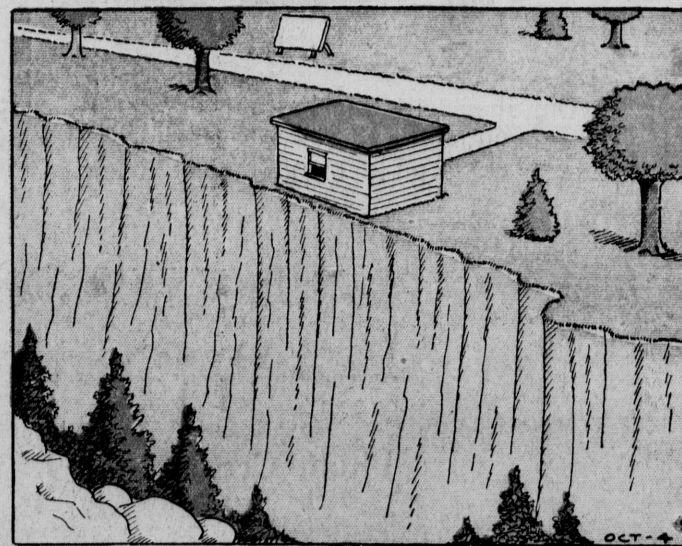
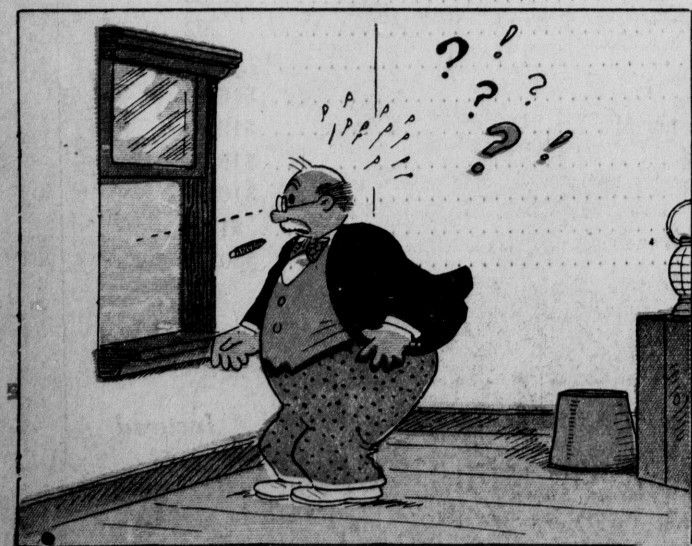
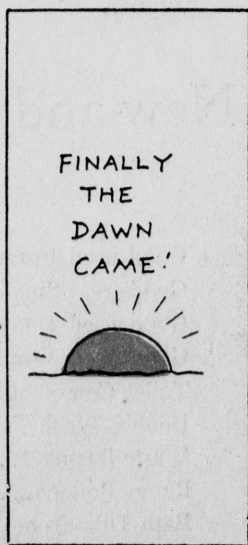
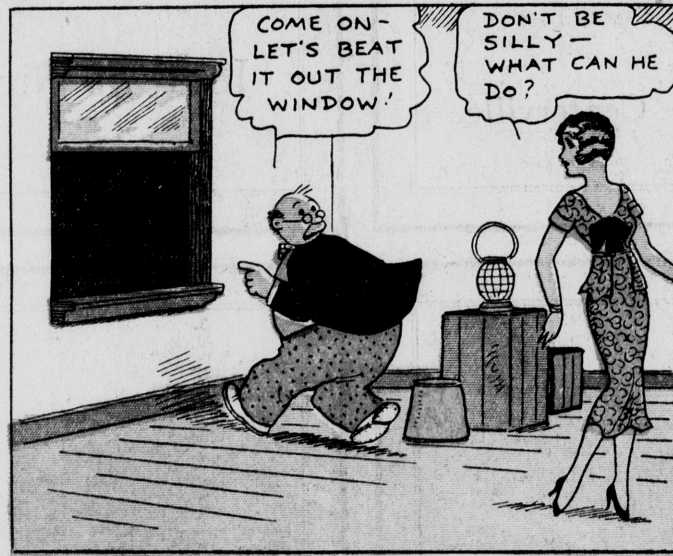
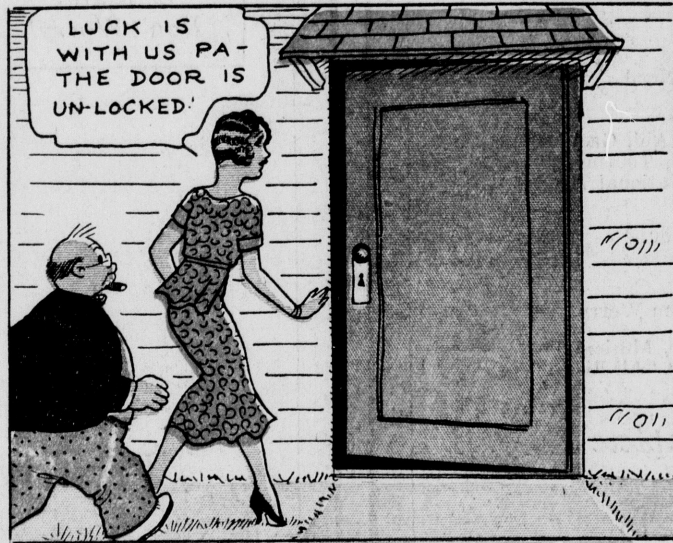
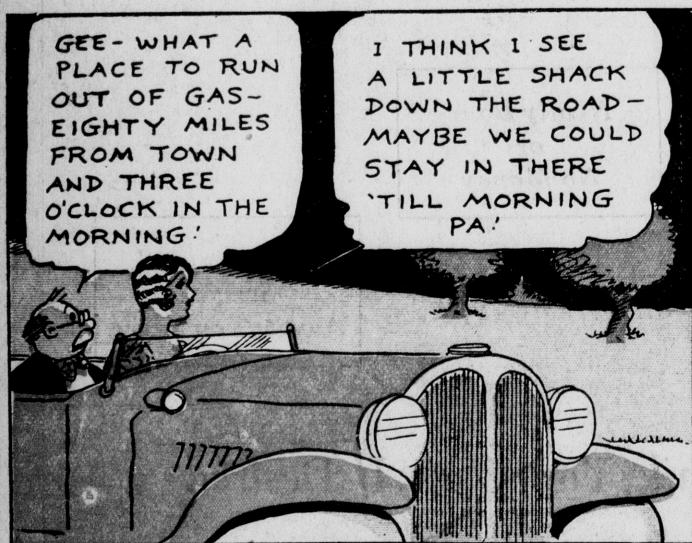
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Trade Mark, 1931, Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

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WISE
and
OTHERWISE
—oOo—
By W. T. D.

Says the Santa Rita Philosopher: "By buying pills from the druggist we get an occasional shot."

—oOo—
When Demosthenes came from the pebble-strewn beach, His eloquent words were a shock, For ne'er in all Athens had such a fine speech Been made on the strength of White Rock.

—oOo—
Many local families seem to regard the gas tank as a more essential necessity than the bathtub.

—oOo—
A high school lad explains his predicament thus: "My girl won't speak to me any more. I kissed her, and when she said it wasn't nice, I admitted it."

—oOo—
The butter had refused to come, And with an angry gleam In both her eyes, the dairy maid Got mad and whipped... the cream.

—oOo—
Most graduates are just one degree smarter.

—oOo—
What we need 's fewer permanent waves and more permanent wives.

—oOo—
A woman can easily tell When a man's love dies. For he no longer takes the pains To tell her lots of lies.

—oOo—
Calistoga—Trustees of St. Helena grammar school awarded \$63,800 contract for construction of new school building.

The Newark Register

By KARL NORDVIK

BUSINESS MEETING HELD

Edward Bimemiller, Manuel Fortuna spent the week-end fishing.

Miss Jean Seekie, of Berkeley, was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Nordvik Monday.

A fire broke out in a field near Newark Monday, endangering many goats belonging to Joseph Mathias. It is thought the fire was started by workmen. The goats were saved by Mathias.

The Blue Bird Club of Newark held a business meeting at the home of its president, Violet Manly, to discuss the annual masquerade ball to be held in the Newark pavilion. This dance is for the benefit of the children of Newark who enjoy the annual Christmas tree celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Keyes, of Newark, spent Sunday afternoon and evening at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fannia, of Oakland.

M. Keyes has been suffering from a stomach illness lately.

Thorval Anderson, of Newark, spent Tuesday afternoon visiting with his sister, Mrs. A. Faria, of Oakland.

Junior College Plan Receives Hard Blow on Tuesday Evening

Meeting of Civic Leaders Takes Stand Against Movement

Possible plans of Pleasanton's joining with the Niles junior college project received a decided setback Tuesday night when a meeting composed of town trustees, and Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Junior Chamber of Commerce directors voted to go on record as feeling that the present is not a fit time to start any sort of a junior college program in this district.

The meeting opened with Crawford Letham presiding, aided by Mayor A. B. Pickard, and Andrew M. Greve, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. The meeting was called by Letham at the request of the high school trustees for the purpose of probing the sentiments of Pleasanton's various civic body leaders in regard to the junior college movement now under way.

After a few explanatory remarks from Letham and T. H. Silver concerning a junior college, the meeting resolved itself into a series of testimonies and talks from all present giving each person's individual view on the matter. It soon became evident that sentiment was overwhelmingly against Pleasanton's joining in any such movement at the present time.

The trend of the argument in support of the general opinion hinged on two main points and was as follows:

1. Benefits derived from such a project would not justify the expense.

From all indications only a very small number of Pleasanton young folk would take advantage of the opportunity offered. All the tax payers would be called upon to pay not less than 20 cents on the \$100 and probably more in increased tax rates. The rate is too high for the benefit derived, and it does not seem fair to assess all the tax payers when only a very small minority benefit.

2. Depression conditions make an additional tax burden at the present time practically unbearable.

Practically no one begrudges money spent toward educational facilities. But, at this particular time, many citizens who have always been able to meet their obligations promptly are now not able to do so. How, then, can the community stand additional tax burden, when those who have been first to pay their bills in the past are finding it hard to even pay their living expenses now?

A few more points were brought out during the discussion. One was that when our own Amador high school would be benefited by additional equipment and advantages, why spend money outside the township for a school of doubtful advantage to local students?

There seemed to be no doubt in the minds of those present as to the desirability of a good junior college, the only question being, as can be seen from the discussion, the question of whether or not the time was ripe for such a movement in Pleasanton.

WHIST PARTY

The annual whist party of the Victory Circle, No. 106, U. A. O. D., will be held Wednesday night October 7. Mrs. M. J. Bernardo is chairman of the committee on arrangements with the following assistants: Adeline R. Santos, Alice Simas, Elsie Madruga, Ida Rogers, Mrs. Mary Furtado, Mrs. Mary Gomes, Mrs. Mary L. George, Mrs. Rita Olivera, A. E. Francis and M. S. Simas.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLED

A brush fire at the M. Betten-court farm roused the Centerville fire department from bed early Saturday morning. The fire proved to be under control when the department arrived.

Coronado—Emergency hospital to have new building corner of Tenth street and C avenue.

LOOK AT DRIVER'S LICENSE ORDER OF AUTO DEPARTMENT

Several Thousand Permits Have Expired Check Reveals.

"Look at your driver's license and see if it has expired!"

This warning was issued to motorists of California today by the Department of Motor Vehicles when a check up revealed that several thousand licenses issued after August 14, 1929, have expired and are therefore invalid.

Licenses issued after August 14, 1929, it was explained, are good for two years from date of issuance and show the expiration date in the lower left hand corner.

Licenses issued before August 14, 1929, and after January 1, 1927 are good until revoked and need not be renewed at this time. If, therefore, the license bears the notation, "good until revoked," and was issued between these dates, the holder has nothing to worry about.

Licenses issued before January 1, 1927, were revoked two years ago by the Department of Motor Vehicles and are invalid.

The important point stressed by the department is that the motorist look at his license and see if it was issued after August 14, 1929, and has expired.

If it has expired the driver should apply for renewal at the nearest branch of the Department of Motor Vehicles, California Highway Patrol or other authorized examining agency.

Personal Items

Sunday visitors at the R. R. Butterfield home were Mr. and Mrs. Runyon, of El Cerito.

Mrs. Anne Murphy has returned home after spending a week visiting in Oakland with her daughter.

Miss Laura Dutra was an Oakland visitor over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Petsche attended a play at an Oakland theater Saturday night.

Mrs. Lopes, who has been visiting for the last three weeks at the Joe Oliver home, returned to her home in Gustine Friday. Mrs. Oliver took her back by car.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heiser had as guests on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. B. Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Rogers, all of Oakland.

BALDWIN RANCH TAKES PRIZES AT STATE FAIR

The Baldwin ranch, near Pleasanton, home of prize Hereford cattle, took fourteen first prizes, six second, and six third, at the state fair, Sacramento, according to reports made this week by Ray Bergstrom, manager of the ranch.

Among the ranch's champions which emerged victorious at the Sacramento contests were a grand champion bull, grand champion female, senior champion bull, senior champion female, and junior champion female.

The Baldwin Ranch has had grand champion bull at state fairs for seven continuous years starting in 1925. The ranch has also had grand champion female six out of seven years, and grand champion steer five out of six years.

Poems To Mother

A WONDERFUL MOTHER
Life holds love and beauty,
But nothing can compare
To a Mother's true devotion,
Her tenderness and care;
And life for me is happy,
Because this love I've known.
And God has given me the best
Of mothers for my own.

MY MOTHER'S KNEE
I have worshipped in chambers
and chapels,
I have prayed in the busy street;
I have sought my God and have
found Him
Where the waves of the ocean
beat;
I have knelt in the silent forests,
In the shade of some ancient
tree;
But the dearest of all my altars
Was raised at my mother's knee.

The things in my life that are
worthy
Were born in my mother's breast,
And breathed into mine by the
magic
Of the love her life expressed.
The years that have brought me
to manhood
Have not taken her from me;
And that has kept me from straying
Too far from my mother's knee.

God make me the man of her
vision,
And purge me of selfishness!
God keep me true to her stand-
ards
And help me to live to bless!
God hallow the holy impress
Of the days that used to be
And keep me a pilgrim forever
To the shrine at my mother's
knee.

MOTHER
I sit in the cool of the evening
Watching the sunset glow,
Thinking and dreaming of faces
Remembered from long ago.

One face stands out from the
others,
Loving, and warm, and bright;
And though worn and wrinkled
with worries,
It is radiant, full of light.

It is beautiful, past description,
Because of the love in the
heart

That shines out through life's
sorrows,
That lives though we're apart.
The face that I see is Mother's,
The love that I feel is hers;
She watches my steps down life's
pathway
She smiles at me through her
tears.

—LIONEL FORBES

Leo Oliver was in Niles Friday night from the University of California, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Oliver. He was accompanied by two boy friends from the university.

Try a Register want ad.

BAYER ASPIRIN is always SAFE BEWARE OF IMITATIONS



UNLESS you see the name Bayer and the word genuine on the package as pictured above you can never be sure that you are taking the genuine Bayer Aspirin that thousands of physicians prescribe in their daily practice.

The name Bayer means genuine Aspirin. It is your guarantee of purity—your protection against the imitations. Millions of users have proved that it is safe.

Genuine Bayer Aspirin promptly relieves:

Headaches Neuritis
Colds Neuralgia
Sore Throat Lumbago
Rheumatism Toothache

No harmful after-effects follow its use. It does not depress the heart.

Specials for Saturday

Prime Steer Beef X Rib Round Bone
Roast **15c** lb.
Shoulder Pork Roast **12 1/2c** lb.
Dry Sugar Cured Bacon Squares **15c** lb.

Quality Market

NILES Delivery Service Phone 35

SCHUCKL CANNERY FINISHES RUN TUESDAY

With the completion of its fruit salad run on Tuesday of this week the Schuckl cannery, of Niles, terminated its canning season for this year.

The Niles plant which has been in operation for several months employs approximately two hundred persons. When the cannery will resume operations is indefinite, plant officials say.

EASTERN STAR TO BE HONORED WITH NOTABLE GUESTS

One of the outstanding events of Eastern Star for Orient Chapter, No. 117, will occur on Saturday evening, October 3, when Willa Jane Hellwig, worthy grand matron, and Joseph Mayo Argabrite, worthy grand patron of the Grand Chapter, State of California, make their official visit. Orient Chapter is especially honored in having a member be the worthy grand matron. It is seldom that a small rural chapter is so honored. Mrs. Hellwig's home is at Alvarado.

Over eighty members will attend a dinner Saturday evening at Centerville, in honor of the distinguished guests.

Many visitors from the East Bay, San Francisco and San Jose, are expected to attend.

Leonora C. Mattos
Notary Public and
Insurance
AT RESIDENCE—SCHOOL ST.
CENTERVILLE

The Permanent Wave

A COIFFURE becoming for the chic who are welcoming the new hat.

The more often your hair is permanently waved by us, the more lovely it will be, for we use only the highest grade of material which actually improves the hair's health, therefore naturally adding to the Lustre, Life, and Beauty of your hair.

BEAUTIFUL FINGER WAVES

Individual type, lasting waves with natural effects and dressed to your charm and adds to your beauty.

HAIR CUTTING: correct thinning and shaping.

ARNOLD steam scalp treatments.

VITA—WILL materially assist you in keeping a slender figure—A safe Reducer of Excessive weight. Scientific toilet preparations. Novelty Jewelry, Etc.

Swainson's Beauty Salon

Ellsworth Building, 1 Street, Niles Phone 62

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Subject for next Sunday:

"UNREALITY"
Sundays at 11 a. m.
Wednesday, at 8 p. m.
Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Reading rooms open daily from 1:30 to 3:30 p. m., except Fridays, and Sundays.

Monrovia.—Contract for \$37,000 let for widening Huntington drive bridge over Santa Anita wash between here and Arcadia.

P. C. Hansen Lumber Co.

Agent for **Wedgewood Heaters**

Genuine Peacock, Rock Springs Wolf Park and Castle Gate COAL

San Francisco's NEWEST Downtown HOTEL

OF MODERATE RATES just opened, offering every modern Hotel Luxury ... but with rates starting at \$1.50.

On your next trip to San Francisco enjoy the Hotel Powell ... quiet, comfortable rooms ... Superb location among the restaurants, theatres and department stores.

... RATES ...

With detached Bath—
ONE PERSON..... \$1.50
With Private Bath—
ONE PERSON..... \$2.00
Extra Person..... .50

FORMER TURPIN LOCATION

HOTEL Powell
Powell Street & Market

Champions - Three!



Superior Sixty-second, of the Baldwin Ranch, who has been grand champion bull at the California State Fair from 1927 to 1930, inclusive, and who was undefeated grand champion Hereford bull of the United States in 1928. With Superior are two

other California beauties, who look every bit as regal as the old boy himself.

Warm Springs News

By IRMA LEAL

Housewarming Held At Vargas Home

A house warming was given last week to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vargas. The birthday of their son, Wilbert Vargas, was also celebrated. It was his twelfth birthday, Saturday, September 26. Those attending were, Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Maciel and family of Warm Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Brazil, of Centerville; Mrs. Perry and daughter, of Niles; Mr. and Ms. Alfred Perry and family, of Warm Springs; Mrs. Caldiera and family, of Newark. The evening was spent in playing cards. Lunch was served at midnight.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Vargas and family, motored to San Jose where they visited friends and later went to a show.

Manuel Vargas, Tony Vargas, and Alfred Smith motored to Monterey last week.

A. F. Silva was hurt while working on his ranch here pruning.

Joe Duarte, of Dublin, motored

PARTY HELD

A party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Leal Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Silva, of Sunol, Clarice, Elsie and Lester Silva, and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Garcia, attended the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Silva and family motored to a horse show in Evergreen, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Santos, of Mission San Jose visited relatives in Warm Springs Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Antone Laurence and son, Ernest, motored to Modesto Sunday to visit relatives, returning by way of Patterson.

The whist party given by the S. P. R. S. I council was a success.

Mrs. Garcia and son, Clarence, of Monterey, visited friends in Warm Springs Sunday.

Warm Springs Sunday to celebrate the birthday of his brother, William Duarte.

NEW LICENSES TO HAVE CALIFORNIA SPELLED IN FULL

When the Californian goes traveling next year in his motor car there will be no mistake about where he comes from, for the name of his home state will be spelled out in big letters across the bottom of his license plate.

Plates for this and some previous years bear the abbreviation, "Calif." or "Cal." But after conferences between Daniel J. O'Brien, director of motor vehicles, Russell Bevans, registrar of vehicles, Roland A. Vandergrift, director of finance, and others, it was decided to spell the word "California" out because of the advertising value.

The numerals 19 will appear in the lower left hand corner and 32 in the lower right. The word California will appear between them.

Plates for 1932 will be thirteen and seven-eighths inches long and six and one-eighth wide, the same length as this year, and will be made of 24-gauge steel to give them strength.

Script letters will be used three and three-quarter inches

high and one and one half wide. An inverted bead will run around the edge.

The new plates will have a dull orange background and letters and numerals will be in black. These are the same colors as this year except that they are reversed. Repeated tests have demonstrated that this combination of colors offers the greatest degree of visibility and thereby lessens the chance for the "hit and run" driver to escape.

The manufacturer is now working on the plates and is delivering some of them to the division at this time. Approximately 2,205,650 pairs constitute the initial order.

When a battery fails to hold a charge or runs down quickly it should be overhauled or replaced. Sometimes the separators between the plates crack. Sediment accumulates between the plates and must be washed out before the battery will hold a charge properly.

Replace the hose connection before the radiator is stopped up by small particles of free rubber. The condition of the hose can be determined by merely touching the rubber. If soft the interior of the hose has begun to deteriorate.

FIREMEN TO DANCE

At the regular meeting of the Niles Fire Department Friday night it was decided to hold the planned dance October 17 at the Garden of Allah. Those chosen on the committee in charge of the affair are Sidney Carr, Ray Petersen, and C. B. Crane.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. 52336 Department No. 4

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned executor of the estate of MANUEL J. KING, deceased, to all persons having claims against the said decedent to, within six (6) months after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Alameda or exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, to me at the law office of Allen G. Norris, in Centerville, Alameda County, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

GEORGE KING,
Executor of the estate of Manuel J. King, deceased.

Dated at Centerville, California, September 27, 1931.
Allen G. Norris,
Attorney for Executor,
Centerville, California. S24 O-18-15

Classified Advertising And Reader Notices

Telephone Twenty-three

RATES:
CLASSIFIED—One and one-half cents per word, first insertion; one cent per word each subsequent insertion. Minimum charge, 25c.
READERS (run between news items)—Ten cents per line per insertion. Black-face lines, 15c per line.
MONTHLY RATES:
Classified, per line..... 20c
Readers (regular type), per line..... 30c
Readers (black-face type), per line..... 45c

The Register will not be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion of any advertisement.
Orders to discontinue "if" (until forbidden) ads must be in writing, and brought to Register office or given to Register representative.

COPY RECEIVED UP TO 3 P. M. WEDNESDAY

For Sale

FOR SALE—Small size pea seed for feed—\$1.90 a sack. H. P. Garin Company, Centerville. Jy16tfc

FOR SALE—Five room house in Niles, on Third street. Also has large sleeping porch. Small payment down. Phone Hayward 305. S23O23.

Miscellaneous

COPIES WANTED—10c each will be paid at the Register office for Registers of the following date, August 8, 1929.

HORSES BOUGHT AND SOLD—
We are in market for live chickens feed horses at highest prices; remove dead horses and cows immediately; buy and sell all kinds live stock and pay highest prices. Frank Pemental, Vallejo Street. Phone Niles 132.

LIVE STOCK—Am dealing in all kinds of live stock; also buy and sell on commission. Dead stock removed on short notice. General hauling. Moved to corner Third and F streets, near school. Manuel Pemental. Phone 155, Niles.

LEGAL NOTICES

action by said Superior Court, all the right, title and interest of Joseph T. Champion, Augusta J. Hansen (a married woman) Jennie I. Ralph (an unmarried woman) Marcia J. Hirsch (a married woman) and Arthur Champion, plaintiffs and defendants respectively, in said action, in and to the following described property:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Township of Washington, County of Alameda, State of California, described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the Southern line of the County Road leading from Centerville to Niles, distant three chains Easterly from the point of intersection thereof with the Eastern boundary line of the land conveyed by William Sim and Eliza Sim, his wife, to Ira McMinder, by deed dated September 4, 1866 and recorded September 10, 1866, in Liber "V" of Deeds, at page 595, Alameda County Records; running thence along the Eastern boundary line of a Two acre tract of land conveyed by Marcia J. Champion and husband to Manuel Da Rosa Oliveira, by deed dated December 4, 1897 and recorded December 8, 1897 in Liber 692 of Deeds, at page 98, Alameda County Records, southerly Six and 66/100 chains; thence Westerly parallel with the Southern line of said County Road from Centerville to Niles, three chains; thence Southerly parallel with the Western line of the County Road from Mowry's Landing to Niles, Six and 75/100 chains; thence Easterly parallel with the said County Road from Centerville to Niles, Seven and 75/100 chains, more or less, to the Western line of the said County Road from Mowry's Landing to Niles; thence Northerly along said County Road Thirteen and 37/100 chains to the Southern line of the County Road from Centerville to Niles; and thence Westerly along said last named line four and 22/100 chains to the point of beginning. Containing eight acres of land, more or less.

Terms of Sale: Lawful money of the United States of America, a deposit of ten per cent, to be made at the time of sale and the balance of said purchase price to be paid on confirmation of the sale by the said Superior Court. Oakland, California, September 21, 1931.

J. B. LANKTREE,
Referee in Partition, 500 Broadway, Oakland, California.
S-24; O-18-15c

Palm Springs—Bids for resurfacing roadway in LaQuinta district between here and Indio.

Register for fine job printing.

B-E-N-E-F-I-T FIREMEN'S BALL

TO BE GIVEN BY

Mission San Jose
Fire Department

Saturday Evening **Oct. 10, 1931**

At I. D. E. S. Pavilion

Mission San Jose

Admission \$1.00 Ladies Free

MUSIC BY

CAMPOS 8-PIECE ORCHESTRA



SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—At a public dance Martin Forbes, Chicago newspaper man, is pleasantly attracted by one of the girl dancers. He cuts in on her partner, a man whose name he learns later is Max Lewis, and whom he instinctively dislikes. The girl tells him her name is "Rhoda White." He overhears a conversation between Lewis and an unknown woman which he realizes concerns Rhoda. Sensing a good newspaper story, he informs the girl of a "blind ad" signed "C." which is the girl's real name. She refuses to deny or admit it.

CHAPTER II.—That night Rhoda finds the advertisement. The sight of her discarded name (Martin was right) recalls her childhood in California town. Her mother dead, she is happy with her father, professor in a small university, until a blow is her uncle, William Royce, who becomes in her childish mind an "ogre." Her father brings her to Chicago, where he is engaged in some mysterious work. Rhoda, by chance, learns lip-reading and afterward, mysteriously, when she is sixteen her father dies suddenly, vainly trying to give her a message about "papers" in a trunk. She has some money, and after his death, fearing she will be claimed by her uncle, she changes her name to "White" and becomes a stenographer in the newspaper office where Forbes is working. She is living with a fellow worker, "Babe" Jennings. Babe, who had been at the dance the night before, tells her Lewis had asked her to marry. "C." was not McFarland.

CHAPTER III.—Next day Martin has supper with Rhoda and Babe. He is told the girls' apartment has been broken into and \$300 Rhoda had laid away stolen. Martin has learned that the mysterious "C. J." of the advertisement is Charles J. Forster, uncle of Max Lewis, and living at the Worcester hotel. The girl admits her name is McFarland, but tells Martin little else of her history. A mysterious "Babe" Jennings" asks Rhoda for an interview.

CHAPTER IV.—Rhoda meets Claire, who tells her she knew her father well and is anxious to secure a document belonging to her which Professor McFarland had in his possession when he died. Claire also reveals knowledge of the trick which wrecked McFarland's life, a false charge of violation of the Mann act. She warns Rhoda to beware of Forster. The girl promises to look for the papers in the trunk in which were all her father's possessions, and which she had sealed, has been stolen.

CHAPTER V.—Rhoda, convinced that Claire has engineered the theft of the trunk, which she had told her was in her apartment, charges her with the act. Claire, of course, indignantly denies it. Rhoda, her suspicion awakened, trails her to the Worcester hotel, where Forster lives.

CHAPTER VI.—Martin, suspicious of Forster, goes to the Worcester. At a venture, he overhears Claire telephone Lewis to bring a "trunk" to her flat. Martin follows Lewis, with the trunk, which he recognizes, to a railroad depot, where Lewis checks it. Martin has an idea. He phones Claire.

CHAPTER VII.—At the depot Lewis is accosted by Babe Jennings. She leads him to a building, also going to New York. Claire appears and accuses Lewis of trying to "get away." Babe flees, after getting the trunk check from Lewis.

CHAPTER VIII.—Rhoda secures admission to Forster's apartment at the Worcester. He tells her he was her father's friend and offers to "adopt" her, but the girl is suspicious. Finally she tells him the trunk containing the papers, that was stolen.

CHAPTER IX.—Forster is plainly upset by the news. Learning of Rhoda's meeting with Claire, he denounces the woman as a blackmailer and intimates that Rhoda is her accomplice. He also tells her her father was in his employ when he died. A phone message causes him to leave Rhoda. She tries to phone Babe, but is interrupted by the arrival of Max Lewis.

CHAPTER X.—Lewis roughly demands what Rhoda is there for. She tells him Forster sent for her. Conley, Forster's bodyguard, appears, and the men quarrel. Claire, in the hall Rhoda, feeling from the conflict, hears the voice of her uncle, the "ogre." In panic she takes refuge in an adjoining room.

CHAPTER XI.—Martin, convinced that Forster has got hold of Rhoda, goes to the Worcester and with the help of a bellboy, gains entry into Forster's home. There, after a series of adventures, he meets Rhoda, who explains her presence in the apartment.

with dignity, inclined to feel a little hurt by the way she was treating him, when, with a suddenness that literally almost took him off his feet, she flung herself upon him, put her head down upon his chest, and hugged him as hard as she could. This amazing and blissful state of things lasted while she was drawing about three long breaths and then, just as suddenly, she went, so to speak, into reverse again, flung herself away from him, snatched his handkerchief, dried her eyes, and began watching the scene through the glass with the most intense concentration.

The woman had abandoned her affectation of lazy amusement and at something he must have said to her, had burst into a rage. She had sprung to her feet and was fairly pouring vituperation over him by the bucketful. It was plain that he was terrified of her. If she'd been less absorbed in her own

passion, she must have seen that he was signaling for help, feebly, but with no concealment at all, he was looking and waving his shaky hand straight toward where Martin and Rhoda stood.

There was a comic element in this scene which Martin had been enjoying, but now the woman made a move which startled him. She stepped back out of the possible reach of Forster's hand and, snatching up her wristwatch from the corner of the desk, jerked it open.

"If she's got a gun in that bag she'll shoot him," Martin said to Rhoda, and would have jumped for the little door which led into the room if she hadn't stopped him by clutching his arm.

"No, she won't," she told him. "It's a letter she's looking for. I wish she would shoot him, though. I'd like to myself. He deserves it."

She had told what the woman's intentions were with a degree of confidence that was almost convincing. All the same it struck Martin as rather uncanny when seconds after Rhoda had finished speaking he saw Claire actually produce a letter from her wristbag, and still taking care to keep out of Forster's reach, began reading it aloud to him.

"Rhoda, darling," he cried, "how do you know she was going to do that?"

She stood looking at him now, face flushed, eyes bright with tears, leaving the scene they had been watching so intently to play itself out unregarded. "I know all about it now." She stood wavering a moment and then came into his arms again, clinging to him, her face buried against his chest. He couldn't make out the muffled words very well, but he thought she was saying, "Aren't you glad the nightmare's over?"

Mystified, but none the less blissful, he said he was, and as he bent down over her she held up her face for his kiss with a simplicity that brought unexpected tears into his own eyes. This was something settled, anyhow, for good.

A raucous voice broke now upon them—Conley's declaring with profane elaborations that he would be dead. They'd forgotten his very existence and had allowed him to come to. There could be no doubt of his intentions, particularly toward Martin, as he came bounding up the steps toward them, but an outcry and a gesture from Rhoda deflected his attention toward what was happening in the big room.

Forster, rummaging desperately with his half palsied hands in the shallow drawer of his desk, had pulled out a long barreled, old-fashioned revolver, and when, directed by Rhoda's cry, they looked, they saw the old man trying to point it at Claire. She flung herself upon him and grappled with him for the possession of it. This was a clear call of professional duty for the detective and he abandoned, though with visible reluctance, the private project with Martin to go to the rescue, springing down the steps and bursting open the door beside the fireplace just as the old-fashioned revolver, with a prodigious bang, went off.

CHAPTER XIII

The Frame-Up.

THE report of the revolver was followed instantly by a scream from Claire. Rhoda and Martin, after exchanging one horrified look, followed Conley through the door, which he'd left open behind him.

Claire lay on the floor moaning, apparently unconscious, her face so covered with blood that it wasn't possible to see the exact nature of the wound. The revolver, a blue filament of smoke still rising from its barrel, lay on the carpet three or four paces away. Forster had fallen back limply in his chair. Evidently he thought he'd killed her, for he was bleating frantically, "I didn't do it! She did it herself! She pulled the trigger!" His voice rose to a yell as he cried to Conley "Take her away! Don't leave her lying there! Take her where I can see her!"

Conley picked her up in a matter-of-fact sort of way which led Martin to think that he'd come to the same conclusion as his own, that she was not dangerously injured. Martin opened the door for him, but as soon as he'd gone out with his burden, closed it after him and turned back to Forster. The old man looked from one to the other of them in bewilderment, and at last weakly demanded of Martin, "Who are you? What are you doing here?"

"I'm the reporter from the News," Martin said, "who wanted an interview from you about the disappearance of Rhoda McFarland. I came up to your apartment and found her here. We happened to be where we could see everything

that's gone on in this room since that woman Conley just carried out came into it."

"More blackmail!" Forster snarled. "It's a conspiracy that's what it is. You are all in it."

He looked as he said that like nothing in the world but a rat in a corner, darting helpless venomous glances this way and that; toward the picture over the fireplace, behind which he knew his bodyguard was no longer on watch; toward the closed door through which no cry of his could be heard; even toward the revolver lying on the carpet, hopelessly out of his reach.

It was Rhoda who answered him. She was so pale, Martin had feared that she might be going to faint. But the glittering timber of her voice as she spoke convinced him that she was white only with anger. "There is only one conspiracy I know about," she said. "That's the conspiracy you went into with Claire Cleveland—only she was called Clara Bowman then—and the man who was your secretary—I think his name was Stafford."

Martin held his breath as he looked from one of their faces to the other.

"You don't know what you're talking about," Forster wheezed. "But the consternation in his face proclaimed that she did know."

"You had your secretary hire her," Rhoda went on. "That's why you didn't know who she was when she came back here and got a job in your office. You didn't know that Stafford had told her who you were. And when he died you thought you were safe. You thought you didn't have to pay the money you'd promised her for ruining my father."

She turned away from him as if the sight of his goat-like face had become unendurable to her, and went on speaking to Martin. "That's what he did. He hired this woman—Stafford found her—to go west on the same train my father was going on. She was to cry and beg, and she'd lost her ticket and her money, and get him to take pity on her and pay her fare. They must have known how kind he was and how innocent he was or they wouldn't have thought the trick would work. It did work, partly. He paid for the ticket and her berth and loaned her some money besides to buy her meals with on the train. The rest of the plan didn't work. He didn't even look at her. She said so herself to him, just now. He never even guessed what she was trying to make him do. But she went ahead just the same—I suppose they'd promised her more money—and made her complaint before the district attorney. And she testified against him at the trial, only the jury didn't believe her and set father free. But enough other people believed her so that he had to resign from the university and come out here, like a man in hiding, to go to work, without knowing it, for the very man who had ruined him. She whipped around upon Forster again, her eyes blazing with furious anger. "I wish she had shot you, instead!" she told him deliberately. "I wish she'd shot you dead. You deserve it, if anyone ever did."

She happened to be standing, without knowing it, almost over the revolver, which she had only to stoop to pick it up. Forster knew it, though. He was staring at the thing in a perfect nightmare of terror. Rhoda, pulled up by the look in his face, followed the direction of his stare and glanced down too to see what he was looking at.

That glance was all it needed to demolish him completely. He flopped out of his chair and sprawled down upon his knees on the carpet, holding out his palsied hands, imploring mercy. "Wait!" he pleaded. "Wait! I'll tell you think. I didn't mean him any real harm. I thought he'd thank me for it."

Rhoda went a little whiter and turned her face away. "Do you mind picking him up, Martin, and putting him back in his chair?" she asked.

Martin, feeling in his bewilderment like a man in a dream, tugged away and finally managed to haul the poor old ruin back into his chair again. It must have been a minute before the millionaire could find breath enough to speak with, but when he did it was—strangely enough—in the voice of a man with a grievance.

"McFarland was wasted, where he was. He knew as much about the chemistry of petroleum as any man in the world; more in some ways. And he was nothing but a college professor working along a line I was interested in and when I saw he was going to read a paper in Cleveland before the Oil Chemists' institute I went down to hear him. Luckily he hadn't got far enough with his discoveries to give anything really practical away, but he came near enough to it to make me sweat. So I saw him after the meeting and talked to him. I had Stafford with me and we came back with him as far as Chicago. Spent most of the night trying to get him to listen to reason. Here he was on the edge of a thing that might be worth millions to him personally, to say nothing of anybody else, and he was getting ready to broadcast it. I wanted him to leave the university and let me fit him up a laboratory. I'd pay all the expenses of his research and give him a contract that would make his fortune as soon as he had the thing on a practical basis."

"I never saw anybody as stubborn as he was. He'd hardly listen. Practically told me to go to h—l. He said the university had financed his researches up to now and it didn't do any good to talk big figures to him. He didn't know

what money was about. He was throwing away a fortune—anyway that's how it looked at the time—like giving a nickel to a newsboy. I was about ready to quit, but Stafford had an idea."

"I don't say it was a very nice idea, but your father hadn't left us anything else we could do. Stafford said if there should happen to be some little scandal out at the



"He Was Always Just Going to Find the Thing He Needed."

university so that McFarland would resign, he'd probably come back to us."

"Well, that's all. He went ahead with it. I didn't know what he was going to do. He went too far; further than I meant him to. I didn't think there'd be a trial. I thought McFarland would realize there was something on him and get out quietly. Only, you see, he was so innocent he didn't realize there was anything on him. And when the thing really got started it was too late to stop."

Rhoda's set face conceded him nothing, and cringing away from the sight of it he turned to Martin. "You can see how it was, can't you? I didn't know he'd take it so hard. I didn't mean him any real harm. I meant to make him a rich man."

"You didn't make his fortune, though," Martin said. "Why not? How did you trick him out of it?"

"I didn't trick him out of it," Forster answered, with more assurance than he'd shown before. "I gave him a perfectly fair contract. I fitted up a laboratory for him. I paid all his bills for supplies, and gave him a hundred dollars a week in cash for his personal expenses. I kept that up for four years. It must have cost me altogether forty or fifty thousand dollars. He was always just going to find the thing he needed to make his discovery practical, but he never did."

Rhoda flashed into the scene. "Then why did you offer Claire Cleveland one hundred thousand dollars just now for the contract you made with my father?"

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WILL GET RESTRICTED LICENSE

Acting to weed out incompetent drivers, the Department of Motor Vehicles announced this week that in giving examinations for operators hereafter it would invoke a new section of the law permitting the issuance of restricted licenses applicable in cases where the person seeking a license is afflicted by a physical handicap which might interfere with his ability to operate a motor vehicle.

It was stated, however, that it will be the policy of the department to impose such restrictions only in the interest of common safety and examiners will be cautioned to be sure there is a real necessity before recommending the issuance of a restricted license.

For example, if an applicant wears glasses in passing the vision test he will be restricted to driving only when glasses are worn.

If he is totally deaf, or so deaf as to constitute a hazard, he may be restricted to driving a car equipped with an adequate rear view mirror and an additional side mirror enabling him to see all objects approaching from the rear or side. If he is able to hear by wearing a mechanical device he will be restricted to driving only when wearing such device.

Applicants, who, because of physical handicaps are unable to give the proper arm signal, will be given a restricted license if able to demonstrate that he can safely operate with an approved arm-signaling device.

Officials of the department stated many drivers afflicted by physical handicaps are as good drivers as normal persons if permitted the use of a mechanical device and that the department has every sympathy with such persons and does not wish to deprive them of their right to operate. The only interest the de-

partment has is to see that they are able to drive safely.

In this connection attention was called to a new section of the law prohibiting the issuance of drivers licenses to any minor between the ages of 14 and 16 unless the application is accompanied by a statement of reasons from the parent or guardian. No person under the age of fourteen years may have a license under any condition.

Niles Personal Items

Mrs. H. R. Hunt returned last week from Salinas, where she enjoyed a visit with her sons.

Mrs. G. H. Hudson returned Monday from several days' visit with Mrs. Walter Newman.

Mrs. William Eberly spent two days of last week in San Francisco.

MISSOURI MAN IN NILES

J. Cochran arrived in Niles last week from New Madras, Mo., for an extended visit with A. K. Willis and family. Cochran is the father of Mrs. Willis. He plans to remain in Niles for the winter.

San Francisco visitors over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Owen Swainson.

Miss Florence Deputy spent Sunday and Monday visiting at her home in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Alberg motored to Pleasanton Sunday.

BABY GIRL BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Martinez, of Niles, are the proud parents of an eight pound baby girl born last Friday.

Mrs. F. Fogelsang and family of Oakland, were week-end guests at the R. Peterson home.

Herbert Oliver was in Oakland on Friday visiting friends.

Mrs. Helen Lewis, of Alvarado, and sister, Emily Selmas, of Hughson, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Bettencourt.

Alex Booras was an interested spectator at the Stanford-Olympic club football game in Palo Alto last Saturday.

LIMIT CAUGHT

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Woodhead and family, of Niles, spent an enjoyable week-end at Downieville on the Yuba river. The party brought back a limit catch of trout.

Elmo and Robert Cox, of Niles, spent a pleasant week-end at their grandmother's ranch in Castro Valley.

Anthony Rose, of Newark, who has been engaged in road contract work in Nevada recently, was visiting friends in Niles last Sunday.

Today's Scripture
LESSON

By Rev. John R. Stevenson

Ye shall not go out with haste, for the Lord will go before you; and the God of Israel will be your reward.—Isa. III. 12.

He that believeth shall not make haste. Isa. XXVIII. 16.
Holy Spirit, Peace divine!
Still this restless heart of mine;
Speak to calm this tossing sea,
Stayed in Thy tranquillity.

—S. LONGFELLOW

BLAZE QUENCHED
BY NILES FIRE
DEPARTMENT

A blaze in an old shed back of the O'Connor building on Main street brought the Niles fire department rushing to the scene last Friday afternoon. The quick action of the firemen averted what might have developed into a disastrous fire, as the blaze had an excellent opportunity to spread. As it was, little damage was suffered.

Although it is uncertain how the fire got its start, it was believed that small boys smoking surreptitiously in the shed may have been the cause.

BIRTHDAY FETE
IS SURPRISE TO
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A surprise birthday party was given to Miss Edna Destrella on Monday evening, September 21, at her home. The evening was a very enjoyable one and was spent playing bridge.

Mrs. Louis Mayer won the first honor for the women and Edward Enos took the men's favor. The consolations were given to Miss Doris Destrella and Lavern Silva.

At midnight a lovely supper was served. At that time Miss Destrella was presented with many beautiful gifts in honor of her birthday.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Enos, Edward Enos, Mrs. M. Destrella and daughters Edna and Doris, and Charles Guazzoli, of Niles; Louis Cardoza and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mayer, of Centerville; Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Mento and daughter Diane, of Oakland; Lavern Silva, of Newark, and Miss Helen Foster, of Redwood City.

Scouts Plan To
Attend Berkeley
Football GamesFirst Fall Meeting of Troop
Held Tuesday
Evening

Pleasanton Boy Scouts held their regular meeting at the Foresters' hall last Tuesday evening. The meeting was the first since vacation time, and there were only five scouts present, according to a report made by V. Bernard Johnson, scoutmaster.

A number of scouts will be allowed to attend several football games at the University of California stadium providing they make arrangements through the boy scout officials, according to reports made by university officials this week. All local scouts between the ages of 12 and 14 will be given free admittance by getting in touch with their scoutmaster.

The games scouts may attend free will all be played at the Berkeley stadium and are as follows:

Santa Clara, September 26; Olympic Club, October 10; U. S. C. Frosh, October 17; Nevada, October 31; Idaho, November 14.

The regular scout meetings will be held every Tuesday evening at the Foresters' hall, and every scout is expected to be present.

Mrs. W. J. Elm visited relatives in Richmond last Friday and Saturday.

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